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For: METHOD FOR TESTING THE AUTHENTICITY OF A DATA CARRIER

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This paper accompanies documents submitted to establish the U.S. national stage of the above-identified international patent application.

The claims were not amended during the international phase. Before calculation of the filing fee and before examination, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the original as-filed claims as follows:

Claim 4, line 1; change "either of claims 2 to 3" to --claim 2--;

Claim 5, line 1; change "either of claims 2 to 3" to --claim 2--;

Claim 6, line 1; change "any of claims 2 to 5" to --claim 2--;

Claim 7, line 1; change any of claims 1 to 6" to --claim 1--;

Claim 11, line 1; change "any of claims 1 to 10" to --claim 1--;

REMARKS

All rights are reserved to the original claimed subject matter. The claims have been amended to reduce the filing fees and to correct any improper multiple dependent